



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 29, 1999

### **H.R. 20** **Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River Mongaup** **Visitor Center Act of 1999**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 22, 1999*

H.R. 20 would authorize the National Park Service (NPS) to enter into a 99-year lease with the state of New York for state-owned land located near the Delaware Scenic and Recreational River. The bill also would authorize the NPS to construct and operate a visitor center on the leased land.

Based on information provided by the NPS and assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that the agency would spend about \$7 million over the next four years to construct a visitor center on land leased from New York. We estimate that the costs of the long-term lease would be negligible. Once the center has been completed, the NPS would spend about \$600,000 annually to operate it.

H.R. 20 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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